

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 31 and 32 (cancelled).

Claim 33 (currently amended): A comb element for attachment to a clipper cutting head comprising:

a support base element with a plurality of comb teeth attached at a front base edge and the comb teeth having a groove notch formed therein for engagement with to receive a front edge of a plurality of upper teeth of a cutting head; and

a back plate with a means for strengthening attached at a rear base edge of the support base element opposite the comb teeth and the back plate having a means for engagement with the cutting head.

Claim 34 (original): The comb element as in claim 33 wherein the comb teeth are coated with a low friction substance.

Claim 35 (original): The comb element as in claim 33 wherein the front base edge having a mounting tab and a support front edge of a base member having a mounting notch for engagement with the mounting tab.